GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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UNIFORMITY IN ALLOCATION OF FUNDS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is uniformity in the allocation of funds to rural development agencies/district councils;

(b) if so, the details of funds allocated to each development agency in the National Capital Region of Delhi during each of the last three years and the current year;

(c) whether the Union Government have any control over income/expenditure of Rural Development agencies; and

(d) if so, the details of process for monitoring the proper utilisation of funds by the Rural Development Agencies ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB M. K. PATIL)

(a) Funds of the Ministry of Rural Development are allocated to District Rural Development Agencies/Zilla Panchayats in accordance with predetermined allocation criteria, which, inter alia, gives weightage to population of rural poor.

(b) The information is being collected.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Audit Reports and Utilisation Certificates are insisted upon while processing the proposals for release of funds. In addition, the utilization of funds at the field level is also monitored through field visits of Ministers/Officers, Area Officers` Scheme and District Level Monitoring through external professional agencies.